

Listing of the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Original) A sprinkler system comprising:
a sprinkler comprising:
a body portion having a substantially hollow central portion for allowing water to pass therethrough, the hollow central portion extending from a distal end to a proximate end of the body portion; and
a housing connected to the sprinkler, the housing comprising:
at least one outer wall; and
a cover portion transverse with the at least one outer wall which defines an interior space;
wherein the sprinkler is at least partially located within the interior space.
2. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the housing is integral with the sprinkler.
3. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the housing is removably connected to the sprinkler.
4. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the housing further comprises a lip outwardly extending from a distal portion of the outer wall, and the at least one outer wall defines at least one opening.
5. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the ~~fire~~ sprinkler and housing are injection molded.
6. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 5, wherein the ~~fire~~ sprinkler and housing are plastic.
7. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the body portion further comprises:

a diffuser head portion located in the vicinity of the distal end of the hollow central portion;

a sealing member made of an elastomeric material in proximity to the hollow central portion; and

a link portion, wherein when the link portion reaches a predetermined temperature the link portion is activated to start the flow of water out of the sprinkler.

8. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the housing is circular, and the proximate portion has a circumference less than or equal to the circumference of the distal portion.

9. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the housing further comprises:
at least one opening having a first face and a second face; and
an engagement portion adjacent to the first face of the at least one opening.

10. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) ~~A sprinkler housing comprising: at least one outer wall; and a cover portion transverse with the at least one outer wall which defines an interior space;~~ The system of claim 1, wherein the at least one outer wall defines at least one opening in the housing, the at least one opening having a first face for engaging an object applying force against the housing in a first direction, and a second face for engaging an object applying force in a second direction.

11. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) The ~~housing~~ system of claim 10, wherein the outer wall is circular.

12. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) The ~~housing~~ system of claim 10, wherein the outer wall defines two openings opposite one another.

13. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) The ~~housing~~ system of claim 10, wherein a plurality of outer walls provides a polygonal shaped housing.

14. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) The ~~housing~~ system of claim 10, further comprising an engagement portion adjacent to the first face of the at least one opening for engaging an object applying force in a third direction.

15. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) A ~~The system of claim 10 including a sprinkler device for use with the housing of claim 10, the device comprising:~~ which comprises
a distal end;
a proximal end; and
at least one tab extending from the proximal end for operable engagement with the at least one opening of the housing ~~of claim 10~~.

16. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ system of claim 15, wherein the tabs are configured to engage the first face, the second face and the engagement portion of the housing ~~of claim 10~~.

17. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) The ~~device of claims~~ system of claim 15, wherein the distal end is adapted to be removably coupled with a handle.

18-21. (Canceled)